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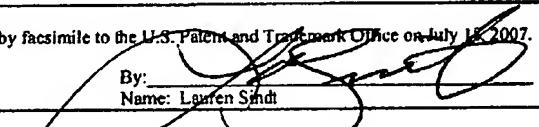
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 3-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed January 18, 2007, said period of response being extended from April 18, 2007 to July 18, 2007.

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